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"Rakosi" Soviet Rifle Division 1

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[REDACTED] during the first Hungarian pre-election campaign in 1947, a bitter battle had developed between the Hungarian Communists and other parties for seats in the Hungarian national assembly. The Hungarian Communist Party, in order to politically control the government, resorted to violence and falsification. The Hungarian population was highly indignant and in Budapest there were disorders and riots. Matyas Rakosi, in fear of losing the election, called upon the Soviet Government for assistance.

2.

The assistance allegedly arrived in a few days in the form of a Soviet rifle division from Rumania. This division undertook the task of bringing Budapest to heel and it accomplished the mission in short order. The military personnel of the rifle division, along with Hungarian Communist armed special militia, then proceeded to "supervise" the balloting in outlying districts and cities in Hungary. This supervision allegedly consisted mostly of stuffing the ballot boxes with votes for the Communist candidates.

3.

From the time of the elections and up to 1951, this Soviet rifle division allegedly remained in Hungary and received special "logistical" support from Rakosi in the form of extra rations, etc. In 1951, however, Stalin was informed of this special support and he

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forbade the division CG to accept further gifts or assistance from Rákosi.

- 50X14. [] not know the designation of this division or of any of its personnel, or the location of its headquarters and subordinate units in Hungary. [] this rifle division, which had acquired the nickname of the "Rákosi Division", was still in Hungary [] 50X1
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Military Hospital in Budapest

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[] it was located in the northeast part of town near the city limits. It treated all Soviet military and civilian personnel stationed in Hungary. Prior to World War II, this hospital was alleged to have been a Hungarian tuberculosis sanitarium. [] 50X1

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[] medical officers who were assigned to the hospital. []

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7. Lieutenant Colonel Mikhail Aleksandrovich Revin was a Jewish officer with an unknown position at the hospital. He was rotated to the USSR upon the completion of his normal tour of duty abroad, in 1953. [] 50X1

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[] Revin was serving in Krasny Yar near Astrakhan (N 46-21, E 48-03).

8. Major Vadim Manin was an X-ray specialist at the hospital in Budapest. In late 1952, he was transferred to the USSR to a military hospital in Sevastopol. [] 50X1

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9. Major Vladimir Khrenikov was the venereologist of the hospital. This officer was also rotated back to the USSR in 1953, [] 50X1

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1. [] Comment: Locally available information does not indicate the presence of any Soviet rifle division in Hungary.

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